Journey of the Museum Superintendent to Cochin.

55. *MR. M. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the Museum Superintendent made a circuit to Cochin to take over personally the giraffes or giraffe ordered for the Museum Department and were or was to be delivered at the nearest port;

(*b*) whether the circuit was at Government expense and

(*c*) whether the Superintendent could have avoided the circuit if he had enquired about the whereabouts of the giraffe earlier?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) & (*b*). Yes.

(*c*) No. All possible previous enquiries were made and the journey was found unavoidable.

MR. M. K. MADHAAAN PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : ഈയിടെ വരുത്തിയ ജിറാഫിനെ തിരുവനന്തപുരത്തു് ഇറക്കാതെ കൊച്ചിയിൽ ഇറക്കിയതു് എന്തിനാണ്?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): തിരുവനന്തപുരത്തു് ഇറക്കുന്നതിനെക്കാൾ കൊച്ചിയിൽ ഇറക്കുന്നതു് സൌകര്യമായതുകൊണ്ടു് അവിടെ ഇറക്കാൻ ഏർപ്പാടു് ചെയ്തു.

MR. M. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : ജിറാഫ് വരുന്നതു കൊണ്ടു് വൃക്ഷങ്ങളെ മുറിച്ചുമാറേണ്ട ആവശ്യം എന്താണ്?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) ജിറാഫ് പൊക്കംകൂടുതലുള്ള മൃഗമായതുകൊണ്ടു് അതിനു് സഞ്ചരിക്കുന്നതിനു് തടസ്ഥമായിക്കാണുന്ന വൃക്ഷങ്ങളുടെ കൊമ്പുകളെ മുറിച്ചു മാറേണ്ടതായിവന്നു.

MR. M. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : അതുകൊണ്ടു് നഷ്ടമോ ലാഭമോ വല്ലതും ഉണ്ടായിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): വലിയ നഷ്ടവുമില്ല ലാഭവുമില്ല.

MR. M. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : അതിലേക്കുവേണ്ടി എന്തെങ്കിലും ചിലവുണ്ടായിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): കുറെ ചിലവും വന്നിട്ടുണ്ടു്.

MR. M. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : വൃക്ഷങ്ങളുടെ കൊമ്പുകൾ മുറിച്ചുമാറിയതിൽ വല്ല അപകടവും സംഭവിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : അറിഞ്ഞുകൂടാ.

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MR. EDAVANATT S. PADMANABHA MENON (*Shertala I*): May I know from the member whether the Government have any more love for fresh giraffes?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI ((*Chief Secretary to Government*): Government have no special love for giraffe, but they may consider the purchase of one or two giraffes.

PRESIDENT: Government love all animals alike.

MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI (*Tovala*): May I know from Government whether the cut branches of the trees were far higher than the giraffe?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I have no information.

Purchase of Giraffes.

56. *MR. K. SANKARAN (*Kartikapalli I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether Government had recently ordered for two giraffes for our menagerie;

(*b*) whether the order booked has been carried out; and

(*c*) what expenditure, if any, has been incurred by Government in that transaction?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No; the animals died during the voyage;

(*c*) The final accounts from the Banks, Transport Agents, etc., have not yet been received.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*): May I know from the member whether Government will have to meet any cost at all in case the giraffe was not landed at Bombay alive?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Government had already remitted the price of the giraffes. They were insured and Government could get back the money from the Insurance Company.

MR. EDAVANATT S. PADMANABHA MENON (*Shertala I*): May I know whether these animals were insured?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes; they were insured and the money paid is quite safe.

Applications for Agricultural loans.

57. *MR. V. RAMAKRISHNA PANICKAR (*Kartikapalli II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there are applications for agricultural loans pending with the Kartikapalli Tahsildar;

(*b*) if so, the number of such applications; and

(*c*) how old the earliest of such applications is?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*):

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) 20.

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